

## SENATOR HENRY CABOT LODGE

On the Constructive Work of

## SENATOR CARROLL S. PAGE

The following very interesting correspondence which appeared last week in the Montpelier Argus is self explanatory. Neither Senator Page nor any of his friends was aware of this correspondence until ex-State Senator Clark King caused its publication in the Argus. We give it as it appeared, without change or adornment.

Montpelier, Vt., July 14, 1916

Editor of Montpelier Argus:

Dear Sir: Will you please allow a place in the Argus for what I have to say in regard to the U. S. senatorial contest and oblige. So much has been said in the Argus which has been copied mostly from other papers about Senator Page not being of any account in Congress, having done nothing in the eight years he has been there and other things said about him which were not very meritorious to say the least, which were not true as can be proved by what his colleagues say of him in Congress. What has Senator Page done for Vermont? He has a large business in Hyde Park and employed a good amount of help in his hide and calfskin business for many years and has paid the farmers, also others, a large amount of money for hides and calfskins here in Vermont and has paid largely for advertising at the same time, this is all true. What has ex-Governor Fletcher, who wants to be at this time Senator, done for Vermont? His business has mostly been after office as near as I can find out, and at the present time is paying a large amount of money for advertising to succeed Senator Page in Congress, and is doing his best to get it. Republicans of Vermont will soon decide this at the primaries. I am pleased to offer as proof what is said of Senator Page by one of the ablest Republicans in Congress. Hon. H. C. Lodge, in reply to a letter I wrote him for information in regard to Senator Page's services in congress, and ask to have it printed in the Argus, so that Republicans can know the truth in regard to Senator Page's services in Congress. Having received this reliable information from a source which cannot well be doubted, it seems now that Senator Page is entitled to a reelection to Congress. This is from one that believes in a square deal in politics as well as in business.

Respectfully submitted,  
CLARK KING

### United States Senate

Washington, D. C., July 17, 1916.

My dear sir:

I have received your letter of July 14. You will understand of course that it would not be fitting for me, a senator from another State, to take sides in a contest between Republicans, all members of my own party, in Vermont. But in reply to questions you ask about Senator Page it is entirely proper for me to say that I have known Senator Page ever since he entered the Senate eight years ago. He and I are friends, and my relations with him have always been most pleasant. He is recognized by all his colleagues as a most hardworking, capable senator, very industrious and careful, a very valuable and diligent member of all the committees to which he belongs, and he has taken a conspicuous part in all tariff discussions since he entered the Senate. He is, however, particularly identified with the bill for vocational education, a measure of the utmost importance, to which he gave many months of careful study. Having framed the bill he then, by his persistence and determination, finally carried it through the Senate. Although it failed in the House, this does not in the least detract from the deserved distinction which Senator Page earned by his admirable work and by his championship of this important measure. His ability and activity in the work of the Senate are unquestioned by any one who is familiar with that body.

Very truly yours,

H. C. LODGE

Hon. Clark King,  
Montpelier, Vt.

suffering with an abscess on her ankle.

Walter Tart and Dr. Norton of Bristol were at Burt Ryder's on Friday to see Mrs. Edson Tart, who suffered a shock of paralysis.

Master Vernon Jennings of Essex Junction is spending his vacation at Woodland and at his uncle's, N. H. Jennings.

Cards have been received announcing the marriage of Miss Sara Alice Sparks and Percy Hutton Smith at Los Gatos, California, on Monday July 17. Miss Sparks is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Sparks at the Corners, and had always lived here until a few years since when she went to Soledad, Calif., as a teacher in the primary department. Miss Sparks was a very popular young lady here and the best of wishes will accompany both in their married life.

### WEYBRIDGE.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Harrington and Mr. and Mrs. George Thorne of Vergennes were in town last Sunday calling on relatives and friends.

Owing to the Young People's Assembly which will open August 5, at Spring Grove Camp ground, no services will be held at the local church for the ensuing two weeks.

A. W. Sturtevant returned home from the Fanny Allen hospital last Saturday evening somewhat improved in health.

Mrs. J. S. Shaw and Mrs. C. M. Baker were business visitors in Middlebury last Saturday.

Harley A. Clark and son, Harley W., returned home last Friday evening from St. Albans, where they had been to attend the funeral of a relative.

The Ladies' Aid society met with Mrs. D. S. Twitchell Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. F. A. Breitenbeck and little sons, and Miss Eva Kravs of New York are at Mrs. L. O. Thompson's.

Rev. Alexander McKinley, Mrs. McKinley and two daughters, Ruth and Florence, and Mrs. Howarth of Troy, N. Y., are guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Thompson for two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack White and little son of New York are visiting Mrs. White's aunt, Mrs. Nellie Moody.

T. F. Dewey and family were guests of Ralph Martin in Rochester Sunday.

Mrs. G. E. Child is visiting her daughter, Mrs. G. H. V. Allen, in Fair Haven.

S. P. Hoyt and Mrs. Silas Wright and Mrs. W. B. Child attended church here Sunday.

Several from here are planning to attend the Assembly at Spring Grove.

Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Brittell and daughters and Miss Barbara Smith were in Burlington Wednesday.

### NEW HAVEN.

Haying has been rushed during the past week, which has been very favorable for securing it.

Mrs. Alvah C. Hathorne has been in town the guest of Deacon and Mrs. W. H. Partch. She comes from Isle of Pines, N. C., her first visit here for ten years.

Nick Ruth Clark of Ferrisburg was the organist at church during Mrs. Shackett's absence at Long Point.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Doud and A. G. Wright and wife of Waltham, motored to Charlotte last Sunday to spend the day with Mr. and Mrs. Carlton McNeil, the latter a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wright.

Mrs. P. C. Elmer has entertained a party of Wilsons from Brooklyn, N. Y. A part of the company leave for their home in a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford McNeil and a party of friends, passed through Town Hill last Saturday motoring to their home in North Adams, Mass. The latter may be remembered as Elizabeth McCormick of Burlington. She called upon her friend, Mrs. Grace Doud, while en route. They were both graduates from the Burlington High school, and had not met for many years.

Mrs. Alice Wicker Hyman of Stoneham, Mass., is in town for a brief stay, a guest in the family of Deacon S. D. Doud and his daughter, Mrs. Hyman's uncle and cousin. She was a resident of town for many years.

Langdon Roleau met with an unfortunate accident while haying, stepping on a rusty nail. It was soon extracted and it is thought no serious consequences will follow.

The concert given last Monday evening by A. D. Vittum and orchestra, assisted by a well known reader, was very fine, and enjoyable, but was not largely attended, it being an unfortunate time for the townspeople at this season.

Rufus Betts living on the D. W. Nash farm, who has been seriously ill for many months, passed away last Tuesday night. No further particulars at this writing.

The funeral of Miss Amelia Lawrence, who passed away at the home of her sister, Mrs. E. G. Hunt, was attended at 2 o'clock Wednesday afternoon, Rev. D. H. Corkran of Middlebury officiating. The deceased was eighty-five years of age, and had made her home with her sister for many years. Formerly she was a very fine musician.

For baby's croup, Willie's daily cuts and bruises, mama's sore throat, Grandma's lameness.—Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil—the household remedy, 25c and 50c.

## How a Duelist Was Eliminated

By ELINOR MARSH

During the reign of Louis XIII. France was one vast dueling ground. Dueling was especially in vogue in the army. A practice of this sort is, of course, sure to be abused. A good swordsman who desired to be rid of one who stood in his way would pick a quarrel with him and kill him. Then, too, there were men who had a passion for killing other men.

Mlle. Louise d'Alger, a girl of that period, very beautiful, much beloved, was a resident of Paris. One of her relatives, a young man of great promise, was killed in a duel, and his death rendered her very bitter against the custom. She could not understand why when a man was challenged by a person who was perfectly capable of killing him and intended to kill him the victim should be considered bound in honor to accept the challenge. Nevertheless such was the custom of the times, and the challenged party had to choose between death and social ruin.

At this time in Paris was a man who had been "out" a great many times and always killed his antagonist. Scarcely a week passed but it was announced that some man prominent socially had fallen before his sword. A terror fell upon mothers, sisters and lovers lest one whose life was precious to them would be added to his victims. For a time it was hoped that some man more skillful than he would put him out of the way. But not one of the most admirable fencers in Paris seemed disposed to tackle him, and he did not trouble any of them.

Louise d'Alger declared that any means of getting rid of the Scourge, as he was called, would be excusable and wondered why some man did not stab him in the back. She was told that one who would do that would be regarded as a murderer.

"But," she replied, "he commits murder all the while."

"True, but there is no law to punish him. Should any one stab him in the back the person doing so would fall under the ban of the statute covering murder. Besides, he would be ostracized by his friends."

There seemed no justice, but great injustice, in this to Mlle. d'Alger, and she could not divert her mind from a feeling that such an enormity was suffered to exist merely by opinion. She brooded upon it till it seemed to her that she must do something to stop the Scourge's murders, just as Charlotte Corday at a later period rid France of Marat.

Mlle. d'Alger possessed a fortune and, though she was not noble, held a high position in Paris society. One day the elite received invitations to a ball to be given by her. What was the Scourge's surprise to receive an invitation. He was not accustomed to receiving invitations unless he dropped a hint to some man of the family about to entertain that he would like one. Then the bid was forthcoming, for a refusal would be regarded as an insult and would cost a life. The Scourge was much flattered at receiving Mlle. d'Alger's invitation without any action on his own part. Then, too, he inferred that possibly she had fallen in love with him.

When he appeared among Mlle. d'Alger's guests every one was astonished. The hostess had no man relative through whom he might have forced an invitation, and it was not to be expected that she would invite him of her own free will. All eyes were turned upon her when the duelist on entering the ballroom stepped up to her to make the formal greeting due the hostess, and every one marveled at her cordial reception of him.

The Scourge was beside himself with pride and arrogance at having been invited to the house of a lady of prominence in face of the prejudice, as he called it, of all Paris. The first few dances he chose for partners some lady who had a brother, well knowing that she would not dare refuse him. Later he made his bow to the hostess. She smiled upon him graciously and took position on the floor beside him.

Every eye was turned upon the couple. Mlle. d'Alger's views with regard to dueling were well known, and no one knew of any way by which he could force such cordial treatment. Could it be that she had been fascinated by this man on account of the power he possessed through his sword?

When in the dance the Scourge took his partner's hand in his he felt something prick his finger. He paid no attention to it. Indeed, he could not well do so under the circumstances. Then he was seen to stagger and raise his hand to his head. Instead of conducting his partner to another locality in the room he tottered away by himself, but before he had gone a dozen steps sank down upon the floor. A circle formed about him, all wondering what could have happened to him.

Mlle. d'Alger called for lackeys and directed them to carry out the fallen man who was already dead. Then turning to her guests said:

"Let not this episode interfere with your amusement."

She gave a sign to the musicians, who played another dance.

No investigation was made as to the cause of the death of a man that all Paris hated and feared. On one of his fingers something like a pin prick was noticed, from which had exuded a drop of blood. It was known that his partner wore a ring on the hand he clasped, the setting of which was turned inward.

"About this time," as Josh Billings said, "expect" a Copy of Senator Page's speech on Vocational Education.

## SENATOR PAGE MAKES A SPEECH

Topic is "Vocational Education," Delivered for Home Consumption, to be Used in Present Senatorial Campaign!

Senator Carroll S. Page delivered a speech in the United States Senate on Monday, July 24, 1916.

A Vermonter present, writing home his impressions of the speech, says:—

"Amidst an atmosphere of serenity and calmness not unlike the peace that hovers over the Bull Run school house in vacation time, Mr. Page of Vermont today (July 24, 1916) delivered his address on vocational educational training. I emphasize the peace and quiet of the occasion. No one was present. This is not quite literally true. But as I went into the Capitol this morning one of my friends said: 'Your favorite statesman is speaking.'"

"He began speaking at 10 o'clock. I went into the Senate at 10:40. This was the situation then: I found the press gallery altogether empty.

"Six Senators besides the distinguished speaker were present.

"Of these five busy studying bills and papers in preparation for the day's work. The other, not engaged with papers of any sort, sat quietly in his seat—asleep I think. Mr. Page droned away in a monotone. Nobody could hear him and the attendance showed quite clearly that nobody wanted to. I must add that as I left the gallery, I saw Senator Dillingham enter the chamber, fortified with a palm leaf fan.

"It struck me that it did not require political or moral courage to deliver a speech on vocational education at this time. I am sure that it will not require self sacrifice or large expenditure on Mr. Page's part to have the speech printed and widely distributed. I venture a guess that his constituents are far more interested in his vote on rural credits."

Mr. Page fathered a vocational training bill in the Senate. Mr. Lever favored a bill on the same subject in the House. The Lever bill is given credit of being by far a better measure. The House passed it. Senator Hoke Smith, a giant physically and mentally a power in the Senate, practically took over the Lever bill, his effort causing the Page bill to fall in the discard.

The Vermonter in Washington who heard Senator Page's speech writes further on the situation. He says that the Hoke Smith vocational educational bill is on the senate calendar, but that it will not be acted on this session.

Why, then, a speech on the bill by Senator Page at this time for any other reason than for distribution to the voters of Vermont for campaign purposes?

Thousands of people in Vermont desire to know what Senator Page has stood for and what he has created in the way of progressive constructive legislation the eight years he has been a senator.

Will Mr. Page Answer?

The Allen M. Fletcher Senatorial Club  
Northfield, Vermont.

### COUNTY NEWS

#### LEICESTER.

Mr. and Mrs. John Swington and Miss Helen were greeting friends at the Corners Monday afternoon.

I. Herbert Norton is ill at his home, and it is feared that he has pneumonia.

Mrs. Linda Frost has returned to her aunt, Miss Louise Hall, after an absence of several months, during which time she has been caring for her father, John Towle of Cornwall, who recently died there.

Mrs. Audas Ferson is ill, suffering from an attack of tonsillitis. Mrs. Harvey Rickert is caring for her.

The guests of the Alden house at the Corners entertained several friends from Rutland on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Williams are entertaining for several weeks their niece, Miss Beatrice Sturtevant of Schenectady, also Mr. and Mrs. Edward Sturtevant from the same city and Mrs. Williams' brother, Will Cahoe, of Fort Edward, N. Y.

Mr. and Mrs. Reginald Hooker motored to Pittsford Saturday evening where they remained as over-Sunday guests of his parents.

The Rev. and Mrs. Rickert of Fairfax, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Moses Ferson at the Corners.

Frederick Johnson of Ferrisburg is spending some time at Abraham Ploof's.

Miss Goldie Kelsey of Brandon is with Mrs. Charles Farmer for the summer.

Fred Isley, assistant manager of the New York World, and his son, Irving, came up from Brooklyn on Saturday evening to remain a couple of weeks at the Alden house.

The boarders at the Alden house enjoyed a straw ride to Meehan's park Tuesday evening, where they attended the dancing party there.

The Sibbels have moved from Ferrisburg to Forestdale.

Miss Minnie Ryder of Brandon is assisting her aunt, Mrs. Burt Ryder, who is

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